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" IN THE DARK AND TROUBLED RIGHT THAT TO GIVE US A GLEAM OF DIGHT, EXCEPTING THE INTELLIGENT, PATRIOTIC WHIG PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES."-Daniel Webster.

# HENRY CLAY.

For President,

of mansind, should have assensed in a District so important as the Third Congressional of Ver-mont, and for purposes exclusively of a National character, and should have dissolved without ex-pressing any opinion whatever on a subject that now occupies a large share of public attention in the Union, and that threatens to completely break up and disorganize the great "democratic of New York. We have taken occasion mont at least, on the question of extending Slavery over new Territory, and to point to the uniform and consistent action of the Whig Party on that question,—not, by any means, as a matted for loasting, but simply to contrast that ac-

tion with the shuffling non-committalism of their opponents, who claim to be so very " democratic.<sup>9</sup>
But our efforts have been in vain. The Sen tinel has but once condescended to notice our repeated calls for information, and then only to reiterate the customary and very silly twaddle about the Whig Party's being in faver of a Slave holder for President;—as though the inconsis-tency of the whig party, if proven, were a justi-fication of the abject servility of the northern wing of the Locofoco party to the pre-slavery

But one declaration of the Sentinel is entitled But one declaration of the Scattnet is entitled to a word or two of comment, because it evinces either an extraordinary ignorance of the past and present history of its own party, or an unworthy determination to mislead and deceive. That paper says the Locofoco party "have taken every proper measure to present the extension of Slavery into territory now free!" Can rampant assurance go further that this! Was the informatic "gar resolution" of locofoco Alterton of assurance go further that this! Was the infamous "gag resolution" of locoloco Atherton of N. H. such a "measure?" Was Mr. Paul Dillingham Jr's rote to admit Texas into the Union with a constitution that absolutely and forever promuted that Legislative from abelishing Stavery in that State, such a "measure." Was the annexation of Texas, brought about Was the annexation of Peaks, who was the annexation of Peaks, who was the annexation of Peaks, who was the that the former have a great arrange. We would be developed to the Country Pressure and the Locoficos of the North, such a We go for Protection to the Country Pressure. NYING THE CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY ON CON- against the competition of the bloated GRESS TO PROBERT THE EXTENSION OF SLAVERY District Convention at Plattsburgh, a few days ago, that "the attempt to incorporate the Wil-mot Proviso doctrine into the democratic creed is tantamount to saying that the time has come when the democratic party ought to be disbanded," -was THIS such a "measure?" Is the declara--was This such a "measure?" Is the declara-tion, imputed to Judge Woodbury, and no doubt correctly, that no Convention that should adopt the principle of the Wilmot Proviso as a test, need nominate him for the Presidency, such a

Sentiael, or any other of the papers that are sup-posed to represent the views and expound the orinciples of the "Democratic" party, to reconcile, f it can, the actions and declarations to which they refer, with the broad assumption that that have taken any proper measure to prevent the extension of Slavery into territory now free."

If these questions are answered, as they must be, in the negative, we would be glad to be informed of one or two of the "nroper measures" alluded to that have been taken by the "democratic" party to prevent the extension of Slavery and the same as the publisher of pamphlets, ungazines and periodicals are allowed a free exchange, the same as the publisher of pamphlets, ungazines and periodicals are allowed a free exchange, the same as the publisher of pamphlets.

But we have not yet quite done with the Locofoco District Convention. The organ of the party here steadily refuses to disclose, and we do it ourselves. What will be thou then, of the consistency of that portion of the unterrified who inhabit the Third Congressional District of Vermont, when we announce that, at

their recent Convention at Burlington,

The above are the purport and tenor of certain resolutions, well conceived and well and ble gentleman, formerly American Consul in cloquently written, that were presented to the Mexico. There is no doubt that he has had the inte Locofoco District Convention in this village. If we do not state their purport and tenor corectly, the Sentinel, or the Secretary of the Con-

vention, can put us right.

And, now, we desire simply to ask: What bewritten in the best of faith. And, now, we desire simply to ask: What became of these resolutions? And can their fate be pointed to as one of the "proper measures" resorted to by modern "democracy" to attest the sincerity of their professions of hostility to the extension of Slavery? We pause for a reply.

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Our Commissioners, the new ones, arrived at Marketon the Lith and 17th, Mr. Clifford in ad-

Burlington Sentinel, "tauching the propriety of discussing the merits of presidential candidates interview with General Mora, the Commission prior to nomination"; but "prefers to drop the Mexico, the day before I left. He assured in subject," rather than discuss it! Well, that is that the numericants were not, and would not be objectionable to its ratification. The elecgood-natured!

of the said invigorating article.
" Well, well, sir," said the General, after hav-

ing patiently heard the whole read, "let me have the papers."
"Sir," said the Captain, "there is nothing in the box but 'Invigorating Bitters.'"

until 17th article of the armistice put a stopped in their mouths, and they are coming over in order to share some of the three millions. You or some of your friends may be interested in this news, and the facts are, I believe, known to no

the box but 'Invigorating Bitters.'
. " And is it directed to me?"

Judge Berrier, Judge Phetrs and Mr. Uphan, of the Senate, and Messrs Botts, Marsh and him.—Spirit of the Age. Contains, of the House, for public documents. | We believe the "smart" of things,

Distressing Accidenta-TwoChildren Drown

An accident of a most distressing character occurred in the Winooski, last evening, by which the remaining household of one of our worthy citizens, Mr. STORES, has been overwhelmed account, we are indebted to the kindness of a gentleman who took pains to acquaint himself with the particulars. At the time of our going to Press, the bodies of the drowned children had

For President,

MILLARD FILLMORE,

ON NEW YORK.

Subject to the decision of the Whig National Convention.

The Burlington District Convention of "the Democracy."

We have, on several occasions, since the meeting of the late Lecofoco Congressional District Convention at Burlington, attempted to elicit from the organ of "the party," it is subject to elicit from the organ of "the party," it is subject to elicit from the organ of "the party," it is subject to extending Slavery over territory of this Union, now free. We have respectfully enquired of the Sentinel, who regards the differences between the Barnburners and Old Hunkers of New York as "ridiculous" and "disgusting," if the Barnburners do not hold that the further extension of Slavery should be at once prevented, in opposition to the Old Hunkers, who will have nothing to do with the matter. We have expressed a natural surprise, and disappointment, that a District Convention of the party styling itself the "democratic," and arrogating to itself a large amount of special concern for the prevasion of large amount of special concern for the prevasion of large amount of special concern for the prevasion of large amount of special concern for the prevasion of large amount of special concern for the prevasion of liberty and equality among the masses Mary and Markin ware being arreached the bank of complete exhaustion. As Mary and Markin ware being carried the shore in a state of complete exhaustion. As Mary and Markin ware being carried the interestication of the party styling itself the "democratic," and arrogating to itself already reached the bank of the river, but being amount of special concern for the prevasion of liberty and equality among the masses Mary and Markin ware being carried down the shore in a state of complete exhaustion. As Mary and Markin ware being carried down the baryon of the party styling itself the feet of the bary styling itself the decision of the party styling itself the general concern for the prevailable of the party styling itself t

can better be conceived than described, abandoned his sisters to their unhappy fate, and hastened to the rescue of his father, whom he succeeded, with considerable difficulty, in bringing to the shore. The sisters. Mary and Martha, soon disappeared from human sight and human aid; and their hodies, notwithstanding the most anxious and dilligent search, have not yet been recovered.

## THE NEW POSTAGE BILL.

The Post Office Committee of the House of Representatives have reported a bill making sundry important and excellent provisions on the subject of newspaper postage, which we trust will become law. Congress will hardly venture to adjourn, we should suppose, without at least restoring the thirty-mile privilege, of such essential consequence to their constituents in that considerable section of the Districts they represent known as "the Country." Justice to the country newspapers requires that this step should be taken in order to place them on a footing of something like fair equality of chances with something like fair equality of chances with their city contemporaries, whose subscription lists of tens of thousands give them a ruinous advantage over us. A successful city daily paper can better afford its weekly issue at \$1 per annum, and will make more profit at that price, than our country papers can at \$2;—and as long as the tax of postage is unfairly placed upon both at essentially the same amount, it is obvious that the former have a great advantage. We believe, however, the matter will be attended to We no for Profession to the Country Press.

## Prospects of the Ratification of the Treaty.

We find the following letter in the N. Y. Ecpress of Wednesday evening. The editors preface it with the following remarks :-

The following letter is from a highly respect: best sources of information; but whether his predictions will prove correct, time will determine. But there is no intent of stock jobbing i the letter; and it can be relied upon as being

17 The North Star "disagrees with" the Mexico on the 13th and 17th, Mr. Clifford in advance. THE THEATY WILL BE RATIFIED WITH tions for Senators took place in the city on the GEN. SCOTT AND "BITTERS." - Some vender jorities. That for Deputies was to have taker GEN. SCOTT AND "BITTERS." — Some vender of a nostrum which he wished to have puffed into notice, recently sent General Scott a box of "Bitters." The General was expecting despatches from Government, and impatiently directed the box to be opened and its contents read, which proved to be an advertisement only the first step will be election of a President in the person of Herrera, and the next will be the treaty. The way party were not satisfied, be the treaty. The war party were not satisfied but the 17th article of the armistice put a stopper

> other person. There will be some struggle in relation to the

If We are under repeated obligations to What does Gen. Clarke give the editor of the

### A Paraphrase.

It is a lamentable fact that, in these days of sentimental party subserviency and toadyism, with deep affliction. For the following hurried no man can become a holder of office and a dispenser of patronage, without being subjected to the most fulsome and indiscriminate adulation from the Locofoco press. Business incompetency, fuithlessness and partisan motives rather brighten his name and reputation. His politics t been found:
Late in the afternoon of vesterday, as a small are his apotheosis! No party but enrols among

the "democratic," and arrogating to itself a large amount of special concern for the prevalence of liberty and equality among the masses of mankind, should have assembled in a District so important as the Third Congressional of Vermont, and for purposes exclusively of a National the impulses of a parent, plunged into the river in pursuit of his drowning little ones. But instead of being able to assist them, he soon found himself in immediate danger of drowning.—

Milton, thereupon, with a conflict of feeling that pendent and manly feeling pronounce his admin-stration of the Post Office the most inefficient istration of the Post Office the most inefficient and imbecile of any that the country has suffered under for years;—appoints, and retains against the remonstrances of his own party friends, deputy Postmasters whose chief end and aim seem to be to discommode and disoblige and seem to be fore us; and we may ask the Journal II it will be likely to snap up the first number of the sext tale "to be continued," which pours itself from the teeming brain of Dickens? Not that Dombey & Son does not contain "pearls and precious stones," but they have to be dug for and dived after, in mountains of mere earth, and occans of mere water. There are portions grinds down those with whom he contracts, in his "penny wise and pound foolish" economy, that his own mere partisans are obliged to admit that, for the frequent failures of the mails. "the contractors are not consurable, for their small compensation will not admit of extra expense in

the transmission of mail matter;"—and in short demonstrates, in all conceivable ways, his entire unfitness for the duties that were committed to him, and his own entire indifference to the busihim, and his own entire indifference to the business wants and interests of the people whose servant he is. And yet such a Postmaster General finds plenty of "courteous" apologists who appear to think it is something to the purpose to talk about his "igenerous and manly social relations" (!) his "high motives" (!) and the "conomy" he is "obliged" to practice "to meet the expenses of his fiscal year," when the income of "his fiscal year," is increasing at an entirely unprecedented rate, and promises to entirely unprecedented rate, and promises to make the Department a source of resenue in-

Again—suppose such a Postmaster General, finds, year after year, one or more lines of excellent Steamboats running on I ake Champlain, for a hundred and fifty miles parallel with a Stage route, by means of which Steamboats, to

TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 16, 1848. | Connecticut and Passumpsic River Rail | WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 17, 1848.

The St. Johnsbury Caledonian says :-Our Rail Road goes on well—in perfect harmony with the previous intentions and the present wishes of the Directors and Stockholders. The rails have been contracted for at advantageous rates (some \$20 per ton less than was paid by the Northern Railroad Company for their rails) and are to be delivered in August, we believe.

The stockholders pay up their assessments with unprecedented promptness; and the stock is not found around the market places and begging for bidders at the auction boards. It is held as good and safe, and with unabated confidence in its productiveness.

The School Master Arroad.—We received the following specimen of Pennsylvania, 'Molichia' literature from a friend, now a resident of Somerset County in that State. We commend it to the careful consideration of the Editor of the Buttington Free Press, in his military capacity. The 'No tise' is copied eerbatim et literatim et (non) punctuatim:—

No tise is given that the little Mustering will be helt in berlin the firsd monday in May and men porade with arms and Cuterments by the auter Capton Jesse Long of the firsd Company the firsd Bodalion the 4 Rishmond the 2 bregate the 12 Devitian P N Molichia.

Capton Jesse Long.\*

Brattleboro Eagle. We turned it over to Sister Briggs, and sh

excepting "Company," which she does'nt feel so sure about. By the way, we should like to see the man that disregarded this warning on account of the spelling. If Captain Jones did'nt "give him

Jesse," he may conclude that his life was spared

says pretty much all the words are spelt right,

### The Bookstore.

for some useful purpose!

Messrs EDWARDS and SMITH have made THE BOOKSTORE a point of special attractiveness Their shelves are groaning under by far the largest and most judiciously selected assortment of standard works, in all the departments of Literature, Science, Education, Morals and the Arts, that has ever been brought in to Burlington—to say nothing of the endless variety of light and po-lite reading, whose gaudy external trappings and cheap price for admittance, attract the eye of the thousands of careless and storyloving readers to the butterfly entertainment within. From the massive and solid learning and argument of "the Fathers," down to "Little we couldn't rore anything. The proof is now and argument of "the Fathers," down to "Little we couldn't prote anything. The proof is now before us; and we may ask the Journal if it ceeds from the will or the means.

The editions of the Standard Works to be

found at the Bookstore, are, with now and then an exception, unusually good;—well printed and substantially and handsomely bound for Library preservation: while the price at which they are afforded, in these days of active competition in all the departments of business. enables a man of no more than moderate means to provide himself with that which, more than any other one thing, marks him a man—a choice Library. Perhaps nothing more pointedly indi-cates the amelioration, the beneficial progress and improvement, of the age, about which so much is written, than the fact that the demand for really valuable and instructive works-works of approved excellence—is sufficiently large to enable publishers to supply them at the exceed-ingly low prices for which they can now be obpeople as not wholly given up to the worship of "Mammon and Te-rade," as the Doctor hath it; but devoting, after all, a tolerable share of their where the matter still be attended to support the competition of the strainf of Poet Office taxes—and rather thind portroise, will all gree with us. The City pressure of the principal that which year after year, he neglects without that which year after year, he neglects without the temperature of the trainf of Poet Office taxes—and rather thind portroise, will agree with us. The City pressure of the trainf of Poet Office taxes—and rather thind portroise, will agree with us. The City pressure of the trainf of the Office taxes—and rather thind portroise, will us that which a post regulation of the requirements of these communities, he might of which we requirements of the competitions and received in upon him representing the facts, and he business requirements of these communities, and the great of the control of the trainf of the Office taxes—and rather thind portroise, will agree with us. The City pressure of the principal of the portroise, will be considered the portroise of the training of the portroise of the principal outsions of the bill reported by the Poet Office Communities, and the portroise of the bill reported by the Poet Office Communities, and the portroise of the bill reported by the Poet Office Communities and means the other of the principal outsions of the bill reported by the Poet Office Communities and means the other of the principal outsions of the bill reported by the Poet Office Communities and the poet of the principal outsions of the bill reported by the Poet Office Communities and the poet of the poet of the poet of the poet of the principal outsions of the bill reported by the Poet Office Communities and the poet of the Poet Office Commu teisure hours at least, to the pursuit of that high-er "gain" which elevates while it expands their nobler powers, and teaches them better how to appreciate as well as how to preserve, the rich

"Yes, sir."
"And what the d—I do you suppose I want invigorating bitters for? I have no tape worms, sir—no debility," he continued, stretching himself to his full length, and hurling the box self to hi

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 17, 1848.

New Books.

Donney & Sow lies upon our table entire:
Our readers have had a touch of the quality of this tab. We commenced publishing it in our weekly, some months ago, and shall not soon for get the habbub it kicked up among some of our aubscribers, a portion of whom seem to have had a presentiment that we were embarking on an unknown and shoreless sea without compass or rudder. It reculd have been a nice undertaking, truly, to publish the whole of it, serioristic, in the columns of an ordinary-sized country paper. If we had persevered, we should have seen the last of it, (devoting the usual space to such matters) about the fourth of July, 1836,—and found ourselves with a whole to the serior serior the last of it, (devoting the usual space to such matters) about the fourth of July, 1836,—and found ourselves with a whole to discuss the superary to some tooks, the last of it, (devoting the usual space to such matters) about the fourth of July, 1836,—and found ourselves with a whole to discuss the superary to some tooks, the such that the superary to the labor of the Albany Ecenizary discussions and the superary to the labor of the Albany Ecenizary discussions and the superary to the labor of the Albany Ecenizary discussions and the superary to the labor of the Albany Ecenizary discussions and the superary discussed the superary to the

and thereupon citing the rash adventure he had undertaken, of printing Dombey & Son in his paper, as an instance and proof of the latter, and our discontinuing 'that same' as an instance and proof of the former! The Journal also quoted of it of unsurpassable genius and beauty worthy the creator of 'little Neil' and the brothers Cheeryble;' but there are portions, too, but lit-tle better than the best passages in the Monikins! We don't wish to complain of this per se; it only makes the tale an unsuitable one for the only makes the tale an unsuitable one for the newspapers, without detracting from its general merit as a book. A newspaper story should be like a running brook—always lively and sparkling, (though, of course, not always shallow). There is no room in a newspaper for what Carlyle calls the "biographic mortar," the fillings up and ckings out of a story —. But we are getting proay. We do wish the Albany Journal would "do the polite thing" by us, however, in regard to Dombey & Son — which, by the way, may be found at EDWARDS, where every body will to Dombey & Son \_\_\_ which, by the way, may be found at EDWARDS', where every body will

# MEXICO.

buy it, of course.

Letter From Mustang.

the General, who has been chewing up the Mexi-cans like a hog in a corn heap, you expect to see a crowder! A-n-d so he is! But if you expect to see him all covered up like some of our Generals at home, you'll be most d—nably mistaken. No sirs! 'Old Zack' ain't of that breed, he ain't, and, there ain't no particular kind of use in hanging penny candles around the riving van."

The cheers were deafning .-- Yankee Blade.

Failure of the Eric (Pa.) Bank—A rumor is quite current to-day that the Eric (Pa.) Bank has at iast gone by the board. The report is no doubt correct, as the institution has been tottering for months past, and the banks and the community generally had lost all confidence in its stability. The agent for redeeming the bills in this city ceased receiving any more of its notes yesterday afternoon—The amount of the issues of the bank in circulation must be very large, as the charter was one of that class that gave all manner of privileges to those who had the control of its affairs. Such of our brokers as have been victimized are offering the notes of the bank to-day at 50 cents on the dollar—Buffalo Commercial Adv. of Saturday.

## Connecticut Senators.

The good old "land of steady habits" will soon

A good deal of attention has been recently at-Telegraph, which has been patented by a Mr.

Rain and which is claimed to be greatly superiors. Bain, and which is claimed to be greatly superior, in important respects, to Morse's :--espemessages and communications may be transmitted by means of it. Mr. Bain asserts that it will transmit 1000 letters in a minute, and do it at a great reduction of expense to the house of the leaves o transmit 1000 letters in a minute, and do it at a great reduction of expense to the business community from the tariff of prices adopted on Morse's lines—improvements, it will readily be seen, of great interest and consequence to the public. It was to be expected that modifications and improvements would be effected in Morse's immedianery and method, and, in this wonder-working age, no surprise ought to be felt at the discovery of other and better modes of Telegraph.

bably correct in attributing the letter in the Ithaca paper, (which is signed "C".) to a gentlemen Gen. Scott is always wrong, and the defence aldeeply interested in maintaining the superiority of Morse's discovery, and entirely familiar with Court would support an atterney in argument

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From the Boston Daily Advertise FROM MEXICO .- The New Orleans Picavune the 30th ult. brings us news of the arrival of the steam ships Augusta and Virginia, at New Orleans, on the previous day. Mr. Trist and General Cadwalader came home in the Virginia. General Scott was not expected immediately—as has been heretofore stated—but would probably remain until the conclusion of the pro-ceedings of the Court of Inquiry, which might last three weeks longer. He was said to be in tine health.

The Mexican "Star" thinks that there will o no quorum at the Congress of Queretaro.

There is nothing later from Chihuahua.

The Free American remains of opinion that

here is little prospect of peace. On the 19th it

we announced, a few days ago, that we had conversed with a gentleman from Mexico, who was of opinion that the members of Congress would not vote for the treaty as ratified at Washington. We have since seen two letters from influential men, one at Queretare and the other at Mexico, who coincide with the opinion of the The good old "iand of steady habits" will soon stand once more erect in the U. S. Senate. The whigs of her Legislature held a caucus, last week, and nominated Roger Sherman Bald, win and Treman Smith as their candidates for Senators. They will of course be elected. The election will take place this week. Government will be overthrown, and that new causes for war will be given to the United States

to the turbulent people of this country.

We regret to learn that General Kearney has

GENERAL SCOTT.

covery of other and better modes of Telegraphing. Whether Mr. Bain's discovery in invention will turn out to be superior to Morse's re-An intelligent correspondent of the Ithaca (N.
Y.) Daily Chronicle, writing from New York, under date of May 1st, seems strongly to doub the practical usefulness of Bain's instrument, that I cannot tell tother from which." So it is though the admits that "it may surpass Morse's with the Court—they have got the decisions so mixed up that I do not believe they or any one label correct in attributing the letter in the Iber.

of Morse's discovery, and energy to the course of the comparative merits of the two instruof the comparative merits of the two instruday Gen. Scott complains of the course of proceeding of one of his antagonists, and the Court